#### PUBLIC NOTICE

The South Platte Natural Resources District will hold a regular public meeting on **Tuesday**, March 10, 2015 at the South Platte Natural Resources District, 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney, Nebraska, at **7:30 p.m. or 15 minutes following the end of the Hearing, whichever is later.** An agenda of the matters to be considered at such date, time and place is kept continually current and is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the South Platte NRD Office, 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney. Any person with disabilities who needs help in participating in the meeting should contact the District office (308) 254-2377, before the meeting.

#### FINAL AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order Keith Rexroth, Chair
  - A. Nebraska Open Meetings Act
  - B. Legal Notices
  - C. Approval of Expenditures
    - 1. \*Possible April 2015 Committee Meeting Expenditures for Meals
- 2. Minutes
  - A. Minutes of the February 10, 2015 South Platte Natural Resources District (SPNRD) Board of Directors Meeting
  - B. Minutes of the February 10, 2015 SPNRD District Operations Committee Meeting
- 3. \*Treasurer's Report for February 2015 and Accounts Payable
- 4. Public Questions, Comments and/or Concerns
- 5. Director and Staff Reports
- 6. Agency Reports
  - A. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
    - 1. NRCS Report Kristin Miller, DC-NRCS
  - B. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD)
    - 1. NARD Report Johnson
  - C. Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR)
    - 1. NDNR Natural Resources Commission Report Rexroth
- 7. Modeling Overview and SPNRD Allocations Analyses Outline Thad Kuntz, P.G. Principal Hydrogeologist, Adaptive Resources, Inc.
- 8. Committee Reports
  - A. <u>District Operations Committee Halligan, Chair</u>
    - 1. \*Consideration to Adopt Order on the Proposed Amended and Restated Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations, including the addition of Rules regarding the Chemigation Act, and the Repeal of the separate Chemigation Program Policy Manual (revised December 2011)
    - 2. \*Action on Bid/Proposal received for Consideration to Select Architect Firm to Provide Office/Library Remodel Design Services
    - 3. Oliver Reservoir Recreation Area (ORRA) Funded Account
      - a. \*Discussion and Action to Create the ORRA Infrastructure Fund Repurchase Account

- \*Discussion and Action to Transfer \$65,000 (Budget Item #763-Buildings) from the District's General Fund Checking Account to the ORRA Infrastructure Fund Repurchase Account
- 4. SPNRD Transfers (Budgeted Funds)
  - a. \*Action to Transfer \$5,000 (Budget Item #763-Buildings) to the SPNRD Building/Property Repurchase Account
  - b. \*Action to Transfer \$20,000 (Budget Item #767-Autos/Trucks) to the SPNRD Vehicle/Equipment Repurchase Account
- 5. \*Action to Approve the Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival Program and Budget
- 6. \*Action on Request for Funding Assistance for the Sidney Envirothon Team for the 2015 State Envirothon Competition
- 7. \*Discussion and Action Regarding SPNRD Cost-Share Program Applications (NC-14 Planned Grazing)
  - a. Danny Dickinson
    - i. Consideration to Approve Applications #2015-13 and #2015-14
- 8. \*Action Regarding SPNRD/CHESI Citizens' Monitoring Committee
  - a. Ratification to Terminate the Standard Agreement for Consultant Services dated December 13, 1999; Amendment #3 Supplement to Agreement and the Consent to Assignment dated July 11, 2001 between Citizens' Monitoring Committee and MILCO Environmental Services, Inc.
  - b. Consideration to Proceed with Request for Proposals (RFP) to Select a Consulting Firm
- 9. \*Discussion and Action on Community Forestry Program Applications

#### B. Natural Resources/Projects and Programs Committee - Maas, Chair

- 1. Discussion Concerning the Nitzel/Apex Sand and Gravel Variance Request and Transfer Application
  - a. \*Action on Variance Request
  - b. \*Action on Ground Water Transfer Application
- 2. \*Discussion and Consideration to Approve New Pooling Agreement Applications
  - a. Rooney Trust/D&B Livestock, Inc.
  - b. Jeff Kielian

#### 9. Finalize Committees Appointments

#### 10. Correspondence

#### 11. Upcoming Dates

- A. March 8, 2015, Daylight Savings Time Begins
- B. March 22-25, 2015, NARD Washington DC Trip
- C. April 14, 2015, SPNRD Board Meeting
- D. April 25, 2015, Landscape Wise Workshop
- E. April 29, 2015, Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival
- F. May 25, 2015, SPNRD Offices Closed, Memorial Day
- G. July 3, 2015, SPNRD Offices Closed, Independence Day

#### 12. Adjourn

\*Denotes Action Item

#### **MINUTES**

The meeting of the South Platte Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at the South Platte NRD Conference Room, 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney, NE at 7:30 p.m. The public notices were published in the Sidney, Chappell and Kimball newspapers. The agenda was compiled and each member of the Board of Directors and other interested and affected persons were notified of the meeting date within the deadline.

#### **Board Members Present**

Keith Rexroth, Chair Bill Halligan, Vice-Chair Jim Johnson, Secretary

Kathy Narjes Phil Grabowski Larry Rutt

#### **Board Members Absent**

Tim Maas (excused)

Others Present

Kristin Miller, D.C.NRCS/USDA

Thad Kuntz, P.G. Adaptive Resources, Inc. Gene Bichlmeier, Apex Sand and Gravel

LaDene Rutt

#### NRD Staff Present

Rod L. Horn, General Manager Ryan Reisdorff, Water Resources Specialist Linda Suhr, Administrative Manager Don Ogle, Information and Education Coordinator Galen Wittrock, Assistant Manager Travis Glanz, Water Resources Coordinator Chris Kaiser, Natural Resources Coordinator

#### **Information Material**

The following information was provided prior to the meeting or provided during the meeting:

- 1. Tentative and Final Agendas Board of Directors meeting Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.
- 2. Tentative and Final Agendas District Operations Committee meeting Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
- 3. Tentative Agenda Natural Resources/Projects and Programs Committee meeting, Monday, March 9, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.
- 4. February 10, 2015 Minutes of the SPNRD Board of Directors meeting
- 5. February 10, 2015 Minutes of the SPNRD District Operations Committee meeting
- 6. February Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable
- 7. February 25, 2015 Manager's Letter
- 8. March 10, 2015 Administrative Manager's Report
- 9. Draft Minutes of the February 17, 2015 ORAC meeting
- 10. Draft Minutes of the February 11, 2015 JESWA meeting
- 11. Recreation in the South Platte NRD brochure
- 12. District Operations Committee
  - Proposed Amended and Restated Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations, including the addition of Rules regarding the Chemigation Act, and to repeal the separate Chemigation Program Manual (revised December 2011)
  - Order on the Amended and Restated Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations, which include the rules regarding the Chemigation Act, and to repeal the separate Chemigation Program Manual (revised December 2011)
  - o Bid/Proposal regarding architect firm to provide office/library remodel design services
  - American National Bank information regarding creating the ORRA Infrastructure Repurchase Account
  - o SPNRD Budgeted Funds transfer requests: Building/Property and Vehicle/Equipment

- o 2015 Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival program and budget
- Request for funding assistance for the Envirothon Team(s) for the 2015 State Envirothon Competition
- o Danny Dickinson SPNRD Cost-Share Applications (Preserving CRP Grasslands NET Grant)
- Draft Timeline to request proposals for an Environmental Consultant firm regarding the Citizens' Monitoring Committee
- o 2015 SPNRD Community Forestry Program Applications summary
- 13. Natural Resources/Projects and Programs Committee
  - o Variance Request Ira Orth and Irene Nitzel and Application to Transfer Ground Water
  - Ground Water Pooling Arrangement Applications
    - Rooney Trust and D&B Livestock, Inc.
    - Jeffery J. Kielian
  - Memo from Ryan Reisdorff regarding Castronics Industrial Expansion and Certified Irrigated Acres
- 14. Diem and Expense Form

#### 13. Call to Order

Chair Rexroth called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Tim Maas was absent and excused.

#### D. Nebraska Open Meetings Act

Chair Rexroth acknowledged that this meeting is subject to the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. A copy of the act is posted in the conference room.

#### E. Legal Notices

Chair Rexroth acknowledged that the notice of this meeting was published in the area newspapers and the Affidavits/Proofs of Publication are included with these minutes.

#### F. Approval of Expenditures

1. \*Possible April 2015 Committee Meeting Expenditures for Meals
Motion by Rutt and second by Halligan to approve possible April 2015 committee
meeting expenditures for meals. With no discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 14. Minutes

A. <u>Minutes of the February 10, 2015 South Platte Natural Resources District (SPNRD) Board of Directors Meeting</u>

These minutes were approved as distributed.

B. <u>Minutes of the February 10, 2015 SPNRD District Operations Committee Meeting</u> These minutes were approved as distributed.

#### 15. \*Treasurer's Report for February 2015 and Accounts Payable

Horn reviewed the account balances listed on the Treasurer's Report as follows:

Account Description	<u>February 1, 2015</u>	February 28, 2015
SPNRD Checking/Repurchase	\$643,510.73	\$628,344.40
SPNRD Building/Property	\$ 17,977.09	\$ 17,978.41
SPNRD Vehicle/Equipment	\$ 40,743.57	\$ 40,746.66
SPNRD Security First CD	\$117,041.66	\$117,041.66
SPNRD ORRA Checking	\$ 3,554.48	\$ 3,554.48
Citizens' Monitoring Committee	\$ 68,740.99	\$ 70,557.20
Citizens' Monitoring CDs	\$ 45,021.41	\$ 45,021.41
SPRCC NPAIT Account	\$183,577.33	\$213,578.87

Horn reviewed various items listed in the accounts payable. He encouraged the board members to come to the SPNRD office at any time to review the receipts and/or disbursements or ask any questions. The total amount of accounts payable is \$75,797.17. After discussion, Halligan moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the accounts payable in the amount of \$75,797.17. A second was made by Rutt and with no further discussion a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 16. Public Questions, Comments and/or Concerns

None

#### 17. <u>Director and Staff Reports</u>

Kaiser-surface water sampled, continued to work with landowners regarding monitoring well leases, serviced vehicles, worked on a wildlife plan for Goldenrod, mailed the Sidney producer nitrogen reports, sent water quality data to the DEQ Clearing house and took ground water levels. Wittrock-received notification that an extension until June 30, 2016 was granted for the Nebraska Environmental Trust grant, Preserving CRP Grasslands in Western Nebraska. He discussed the District's Conservation Tree Program. He updated the board on the status of equipment that was ordered for Oliver Reservoir Recreation Area (ORRA) and is working with Ben Newell to remove trees at ORRA as well as working with the committee (Oliver Reservoir Advisory Committee) on long term goals for ORRA and for seasonal help. He discussed that the Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is complete for the East Sidney Watershed. Carter Hubbard from Olsson Associates will come to Sidney for a joint meeting with the City of Sidney council. The Village of Potter received the Community Enhancement Award through the Nebraska Community Forestry Council. Wittrock received the Johnny Appleseed Award from the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum in Lincoln. Sanders-took Cheyenne County ground water levels, GPSd pivots and continued to work with flow meter maintenance paperwork for reimbursements to cooperators. He read industrial meters and helped clean the ORRA shop.

<u>Reisdorff</u>-attended the Wellhead Protection Network meeting in Kearney followed by the Water Programs Conference. He participated in POAC Tech Committee phone conferences and the Platte Basin Coalition meeting and the water issues meeting at Upper Niobrara White NRD. The Gurley Wellhead Protection Area should be approved by the Village of Gurley during April. He and Glanz researched some surface water pits in Deuel County for an augmentation project. Regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP), he worked with JEO Consulting Group, Inc. to contact the various jurisdictions for projects to add to the HMP.

Glanz-attended most of the meetings with Reisdorff. He worked on pooling applications and read industrial flow meters. He has received nothing yet from GIS Workshop concerning the Mobile Data Collection application project. He worked on the water usage report and with Kuntz regarding the

NET grant, Hydrogology of Western Nebraska (Grant 14-172). The product from this grant will supplement the Western Water Use Management (WWUM) model.

<u>Ogle</u>-attended the Panhandle No-Till Conference and assisted with the northern regional Envirothon. Two teams from the SPNRD qualified for the State Envirothon. He and Wittrock prepared the recreation area brochure, which he distributed during his report. He prepared the NRD column, made website updates and prepared news releases. He made a presentation at the WNCC career day and is preparing information for summer camps (ACE and Range). The Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival will be held on April 29, 2015. Suhr submitted a written report.

Horn discussed bills of interest to NRDs before the legislature.

#### 18. Modeling Overview and SPNRD Allocations Analyses Outline

Thad Kuntz provided an overview of the Western Water Use Management (WWUM) modeling and upcoming analyses review. Discussion followed that the best science available was included in the model.

#### 19. Agency Reports

#### A. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

#### 1. NRCS Report

Kristin Miller attended the Panhandle No-Till Conference in Gering. The NRCS staff are flagging conservation tree plantings. The EQIP allocation was received and CSP rankings begin next week. The final site assessment report on the Bushnell West C.A.T. was passed around.

#### B. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD)

#### 1. NARD Report

Johnson attended the last board meeting in Lincoln. He discussed that Nebraska Public Television is considering producing a documentary on NRDs. He and Horn will be traveling with the NRDs to Washington, D.C. at the end of March.

#### C. Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR)

#### 1. NDNR Report

Rexroth reported on the status of the Water Sustainability Fund process and what is being accomplished.

#### 20. Committee Reports

#### A. District Operations Committee

1. \*Consideration to Adopt Order on the Proposed Amended and Restated Districtwide
Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations, which includes Incorporating
Rules regarding the Chemigation Act and to Repeal the Separate Chemigation Program
Policy Manual (revised December 2011)

Halligan made a motion to adopt the Order on the Proposed Amended and Restated Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations, including the addition of rules regarding the Chemigation Act; and to repeal the separate Chemigation Program Policy Manual (revised December 2011) and its chemigation rules. A second was made by Narjes. A brief discussion ensued and a comment was made noting the amount of the fees established in the rules and regulations should be sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of administering the permit program under the Chemigation Act. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

# 2. \*Action on Bid/Proposal received for Consideration to Select Architect Firm to Provide Office/Library Remodel Design Services

One bid was received for office/library remodel from CG Architects, North Platte, NE for design services only. The actual remodeling project would occur in FY 2016 if approved. Halligan made a motion on behalf of the committee to accept the bid/proposal from CG Architects, North Platte, NE and award the contract to them; in addition, staff is authorized to work with CG Architects on the terms of the contract for an amount not to exceed \$5,000 (FY 2015 Budgeted Funds) with Keith Rexroth, Chair as signatory; and to authorize proceeding with the project. Narjes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 3. Oliver Reservoir Recreation Area (ORRA) Funded Account

a. \*Discussion and Action to Create the ORRA Infrastructure Repurchase Account Halligan made a motion on behalf of the Committee: 1) create for budgeting purposes, a new ORRA Infrastructure Fund; 2) approve the Master Repurchase Agreement between the American National Bank of Sidney and South Platte Natural Resources District; and 3) approve Keith Rexroth, Rod L. Horn and Linda L. Suhr as signatories for the South Platte Natural Resources District/ORRA Infrastructure Fund account at American National Bank - Sidney. Narjes seconded the motion. After discussion a roll call vote was taken

Aye: Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

# b. \*Discussion and Action to Transfer \$65,000 (Budget Item #763-Buildings) from the District's General Fund Checking Account to the ORRA Infrastructure Fund Repurchase Account

Halligan made a motion on behalf of the committee to authorize the manager to transfer \$65,000 from the general fund checking account to the ORRA Infrastructure Fund repurchase account. Narjes seconded the motion. After discussion a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 4. SPNRD Transfer (Budgeted Funds)

# a. \*Action to Transfer \$5,000 (Budget Item #763-Buildings) to the SPNRD Building;/Property; Repurchase Account

Halligan made a motion on behalf of the Committee to authorize the manager to transfer \$5,000 from the general fund checking account to the Building/Property Repurchase Account Fund. Narjes seconded the motion. After discussion a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

# b. \*Action to Transfer \$20,000 (Budget Item #767-Autos/Trucks) to the SPNRD Vehicle/Equipment Repurchase Account

Halligan made a motion on behalf of the committee to authorize the manager to transfer \$20,000 from the general fund checking account to the Vehicle/Equipment Repurchase Account Fund. Johnson seconded the motion. After discussion a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

### 5. \*Action to Approve the Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival Program and Budget

The 2015 Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival budget in the amount of \$1,490.00 was discussed. Halligan moved on behalf of the committee, and Johnson seconded the motion to approve the budget as discussed. With no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

# 6. \*Action on Request for Funding Assistance for the Sidney Envirothon Team for the 2015 State Envirothon Competition

Halligan moved on behalf of the committee to approve for Sidney High School and Creek Valley Envirothon Teams a \$100.00 scholarship per team to the Nebraska Envirothon; and approve staff to forward payment to the Nebraska Envirothon upon receipt of a request for assistance from the team. Johnson seconded the motion. With no further discussion a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

# 7. \*Discussion and Action SPNRD Cost-Share Program Applications (NC-14 Planned Grazing)

#### a. Danny Dickinson

i. Consideration to Approve Applications #2015-13 and #2015-14

Danny Dickinson submitted two applications for the Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET) fund grant, Preserving CRP Benefits in Western Nebraska. Funds are remaining in this grant. NET gave an extension until June 30, 2016 to use the funds. Application #2015-13, barbed wire, multi-strand for \$2,638.13; and Application #2015-14 for \$15,291.72 for Livestock well, rubber tire tank and solar pumping plant both for NC-14 were discussed. Both practices will be installed on the SE¼ of Section 13, Township 12 North, Range 48 West, Cheyenne County.

Halligan made a motion on behalf of the committee to approve applications #2015-13 in the amount of \$2,638.13 and #2015-14 in the amount of \$15,291.72 for a total of \$17,929.85. Johnson seconded the motion. After discussion a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 8. \*Action Regarding SPNRD/CHESI Citizens' Monitoring Committee

a. Ratification to Terminate the Standard Agreement for Consultant Services dated December 13, 1999; Amendment #3 Supplement to Agreement and the Consent to Assignment dated July 11, 2011 between Citizens' Monitoring Committee and MILCO Environmental Services, Inc.

The CMC voted during their April 24, 2014 meeting to approve seeking consultant services after MILCO terminated their current consultant and replaced her with Leah MacNeill. A decision was made by the CMC during their February 16, 2015 meeting to move forward to terminate the MILCO agreement for the reason that work products were not being received in a timely manner. Halligan made a motion on behalf of the committee to ratify the CMC's recommendation to terminate the Standard Agreement for Consultant Services dated December 12, 1999; Amendment #3 Supplement to the Agreement and the Consent to Assignment dated July 11, 2001 between Citizens' Monitoring Committee and MILCO Environmental Services, Inc. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

### b. Consideration to Proceed with Request for Proposals (RFP) to Select a Consulting Firm

In accordance with the action taken on "a." above, Halligan made a motion on behalf of the committee to 1) authorize staff to proceed with request for proposals for engineering/consulting services; 2) for the SPNRD/CHESI Citizens' Monitoring Committee to work through the interview process and to select the engineering/consulting firm acceptable to the Citizens' Monitoring Committee; and 3) to authorize staff to work with the firm selected by the Citizens' Monitoring Committee on

the terms of the contract for the SPNRD board's contract ratification. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 9. \*Discussion and Action on Community Forestry Program Applications

The 2015 SPNRD Community Forestry Program requested \$17,431.50 to fund six applications and SPNRD Re-Tree Nebraska. Wittrock requested waiving the SPNRD policy concerning maximum number of trees per site. Halligan discussed that further applications may be forthcoming. Halligan moved on behalf of the committee, and Narjes seconded the motion to waive the SPNRD policy that limits the trees per application and to approve the funding as discussed. With no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### B. Natural Resources/Projects and Programs Committee

1. <u>Discussion Concerning the Nitzel/Apex Sand and Gravel Variance Request and Transfer Application</u>

#### a. \*Action on Variance Request

Rutt moved on behalf of the committee to approve the variance request from Ira M. Orth to transfer the irrigation allocation (36.05 CIA in the South Platte Valley Overappropriated Subarea) from the NW¼ of Section 21, to Irene Nitzel's industrial wells (for industrial use) in the Deuel County Fully-appropriated Subarea located in the S½ of Section 6 both in Township 12 North, Range 43 West, Deuel County. Grabowski seconded the motion. After discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### b. \*Action on Ground Water Transfer Application

Rutt moved on behalf of the committee to approve the temporary transfer of ground water, not to exceed the available allocation, until December 31, 2018 with the condition that an industrial flow meter is installed before any water is pumped and will capture all industrial water pumped from the comingled wells. Grabowski seconded the motion. The Allocation from Orth's 36.05 CIA is requested to be transferred to Nitzel's three industrial wells, G-154988, G-154989 and G-154990. After discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rexroth, Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 2. \*Discussion and Consideration to Approve New Pooling Arrangement Applications

#### a. Rooney Trust/ D&B Livestock, Inc.

Rooney Trust (16.71 CIA) operated by Duane Smith, D&B Livestock, Inc. and D&B Livestock, Inc. (28.29 and 68.19 CIA) owned and operated by Duane Smith are requesting a pooling arrangement in the Kimball County Tablelands; the tracts are located in Sections 1, 2 and 3, Township 16 North, Range 55 West, Kimball County (fully appropriated). After discussion, Rutt moved on behalf of the committee to approve the pooling application between and Rooney Trust and D&B Livestock, Inc. A second was made by Grabowski. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Narjes, Rutt, Halligan, Johnson, Grabowski, Rexroth

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### b. Jeffery J. Kielian

Jeffery J. Kielian is the owner/operator of both tracts (123.8 and 90.3 CIA) located in Section 9, Township 12 North, Range 48 West, Cheyenne County. Rutt made a motion on behalf of the committee to approve the pooling application from Jeffery J. Kielian. A second was made by Grabowski. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rutt, Johnson, Halligan, Grabowski, Rexroth, Narjes

Nay: None Absent: Maas Motion carried.

#### 21. Finalize Committees Appointments

Chair Keith Rexroth appointed Narjes to the District Operations Committee, and Rexroth indicated that he will join the Natural Resources/Projects and Programs Committee.

#### 22. Correspondence

Horn encouraged the board to review all correspondence included in the handout information.

#### 23. <u>Upcoming Dates</u>

March 22-25, 2015, NARD Washington DC Trip

April 14, 2015, SPNRD Board Meeting

April 25, 2015, Landscape Wise Workshop

April 29, 2015, Western Nebraska Children's Ground Water Festival

May 25, 2015, SPNRD Offices Closed, Memorial Day

July 3, 2015, SPNRD Offices Closed, Independence Day

2015 County Fairs

- o July 21-26 Cheyenne County
- o August 5-10 Kimball County
- o August 5-8 Deuel County

September 7, 2015, SPNRD Offices Closed, Labor Day

#### 24. Adjourn

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Linda L. Suhr, Recording Secretary

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<sup>\*</sup> Denotes Action Item